

The Hong Kong Telegraph.

HONG KONG
1892

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA
LIMITED.**

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £100,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN
LONDON—

THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent,
Palmer & Co.
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Butter &
Co.
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.
GEO. MUNRO, Manager.

BANKERS.

The Alliance Bank (Limited)
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Yohkoh—D. FRASER, Manager.
Shanghai—C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.
Amoy—J. ANDERSON, Manager.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money
received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills
purchased and collected. Advances made on
Securities or goods in neutral Adowas. Usual
Bank Agency business undertaken.
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" " " " " 4
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS " 3
For Rates of Interest for other periods apply
to the Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1892. [79]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation, will
be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, TO-
MORROW, the 20th day of August, current,
at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Court of Directors together
with a Statement of Account to 30th June, 1892.
By Order of the Court of Directors;

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1892. [79]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER of SHARES of the Corpora-
tion will be CLYED from Saturday, the 6th
day of August to the 20th instant, (both days
inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of
SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1892. [79]

INSURANCES.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS
ABOUT THE
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

1—HALF A MILLION STERLING per
annum is being paid in Death claims
year by year.

2—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to up-
wards of Seven Million pounds Sterling
and have increased to per cent. in the
last 15 years.

3—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced
by more than double the number of now
carefully selected lives.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

670-3] THE SINGAPORE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

APPLICATIONS for the post of SECRETARY,
which will be VACANT towards the end
of the year, are invited. A thorough practical
knowledge of FIRE and MARINE Business is
necessary.

Singapore, 14th July, 1892. [773]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
etc. Policies granted to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892. [749]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, £83,333.33
EQUAL TO \$16,000,000.

RESERVE FUND \$16,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEE MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., take
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1892. [775]

SEASONIC.

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER,
HONGKONG, No. 116, S.C.

A EMERGENCY CONVOCATION of
the above Chapter will be held in the FREEZE-
HORN HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW,
the 20th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
Visiting Companions are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1892. [751]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

M. R. SASSOON'S CUP will be Shot for
TO-MORROW, the 20th inst., Range
200 and 300 yards. Time, 2.45 P.M.
Members are notified that the Range will be
in the occupation of the Navy from 4 to 6 P.M.
every afternoon except Saturdays for a fortnight
beginning Monday, 15th instant.

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1892. [740]

**HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEET-
ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held
in the Offices of the Company, No 14, Praya
Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd August, at 5
o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving
the report of the Directors and the Statement of
Accounts to the 30th June, 1892.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 6th to 2nd of August,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1892. [779]

NOTICE.

**HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.**

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the
MEMBERS of the HONGKONG
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will
be held on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at
4.15 P.M., at the ROOMS of the CHAMBER, CITY
HALL, to consider the working of Ordinance
No. 15 of 1891, during the period in which it
has been in operation.

An Ordinance to amend the Law in respect to
the Sale of Shares in Companies registered
under the Hongkong Ordinance 1865 to
1883, and in other Joint Stock Companies.

By Order,

ADAM LIND,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1892. [822]

NOTICE.

**PUNJOM & SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN
MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

ALL PERSONS holding SCRIP in the
above Company are requested to send
them in at once for TRANSFER.

A Circular will be sent to each SHARE-
HOLDER, in reference to the re-construction of
the Company.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th May, 1892. [557]

NOTICE.

**DURING the REPAIRS to the SUPREME
COURT HOUSE, the Court will Sit in
SUMMARY JURISDICTION on and after the 2nd
instant at the MASONIC HALL, Zetland Street.**

And the Court will sit in ORIGINAL JURISDI-
CTION either at the Supreme Court or at the
Masonic Hall aforesaid, as may be from time to
time directed.

By Order,

BRUCE SHEPHERD,
Acting Registrar.

Supreme Court,
Hongkong, 11th August, 1892. [812]

NOTICE.

**DURING my temporary absence from the
Colony, Mr. T. COWEN, who holds my
POWER OF ATTORNEY, will act as Editor
and Manager of the Hongkong Telegraph.**

R. FRASER-SMITH,
Editor and Proprietor.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1892.

NOTICE.

PROFESSIONAL NOTICE.

I EXPECT to resume my Hongkong DENTAL
PRACTICE early in September, further notice
in due course.

DENTON E. PETERSON, D.D.S.,
No. 9, Connaught House,
Queen's Road.

1st August, 1892. [785]

**PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE,
"GLEEZY BUILDINGS,"
(Nos. 19 and 21, Wyndham Street.)**

MRS. GILLANDERS has VACANCIES
for RESIDENT BOARDERS and VISITORS,
also ACCOMMODATION for TABLE BOARDERS.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1892. [650]

NOTICE.

A fresh supply of SALTER'S CELEBRATED
BLACK GUT TENNIS RATS, will arrive
per SALTER in a fortnight.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tennis Shoes.

Association Footballs.

WILLIAM WATERS.

CHAMPION MIDDLE-WEIGHT
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

CHAMPION OF THE CHINA STATION,
etc., etc.

will give LESSONS in the
ART OF SELF DEFENCE
to Gentlemen at their own houses or at his
Rooms, 133, Wan Chai Road.

FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.

For terms apply at this Office.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1892. [789]

KING WO CHEONG.

COAL MERCHANTS, SHIPS' COMPRA-
DORES, STEVEDORES, &c.

HAVE FOR SALE A CARGO OF
AKAIKI COAL.

M. J. W. BOYD, Superintendent of
Kowloon Docks, reports that AKAIKI
COAL GIVES TEN PER CENT. BETTER
RESULTS than any Japanese Coal he has ever
seen.

For full particulars as to price, &c.,
Apply to

KING WO CHEONG,
No. 32, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1892. [751]

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Intimations.

**CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.,
SHIPCHANDERS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS, & COMMISSION AGENTS**

A MERERICAN REVOLVERS, WINCHESTER CARBINES, ENGLISH FOWLING
PIECES and AMMUNITION, STAR SAFETY RAZORS, MANDARIN RAZORS,
RODGERS' HOLLOW GROUND RAZORS, &c.
WALTHAM WATCHES, GOLD FITTED CASES, ROLLED GOLD CHAINS, BINOCULARS,
ANEROID BAROMETERS, AMERICAN CLOCKS, all at cheapest rates.
AERATED WATERS 3 dozen for \$1. AERATED CLARET at 60 cents per bottle.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1892. [621]

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.

18, Praya Central, Hongkong. [621]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

ISIGNY BUTTER.

SEASON 1892-3.

FIRST SHIPMENT HAS NOW ARRIVED.

Lane, Crawford & Co.'s special "EXTRA FINEST" quality, In 1 & 2-lb. BLUE TINS.
Also
"FINEST" quality in 7lb. tins.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1892. [621]

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Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LIMITED.

CHEMISTS, &c.

INDIAN CIGARS.

IT is not long since the only INDIAN CIGAR obtainable was the long, rank, saltpetered "TRICHL." But within the last few years the introduction of European capital and European business methods have been employed with most satisfactory results. Messrs. SPENCER & CO.'s factory at Dindigul is a model of what a well appointed Cigar Factory should be, and their products are winning appreciation wherever introduced. We are appointed Agents and have received a first consignment of their most popular brands.

"GOLD MOHURS."

These are manufactured entirely of selected Dindigul Leaf, and are of medium strength. Boxes of 100—\$2.75 & \$3.00.

**VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.**

Hongkong, 8th August, 1892.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
AERATED WATERS.**

GINGER ALE.

**LEMON SQUASH.
LITHIA WATER.**

PHOSPHORIC CHAMPAGNE.

POTASH WATER.

RASPBERRYADE.

SANSAPARILLA.

SELTZER WATER.

SODA WATER.

TONIC WATER.

NIN the Manufacture of these Waters the purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are observed throughout. The water is subjected to a perfect system of filtration, daily examinations and periodically to searching chemical analyses; so that absolute purity and safety are guaranteed.

FOR COAST PORTS.

Waters are packed and placed on board at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when returned in good order.

SUMMER BEVERAGES.

FRUIT CORDIALS—Raspberry, Strawberry, Lime, Damson, Black Currant, Red Currant, Blue Apple, Orleans Plum, Morelly Cherry and Gooseberry.

FRUIT SYRUPS—Lemon, Lime juice, Raspberry, Strawberry, &c.

Prepared from genuine fruit-juices imported by ourselves, they contain the full flavour of the ripe fruits; mixed with plain or Aerated Water, they make delightful summer drinks.

Agents for MONTserrat LIME JUICE & CORDIALS.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Port, Sherrries, Claret, Burgundies, Hock, Champagnes, Brandies, Whiskies, Gin, Rum and Liqueurs.

A large selection of choice old brands, full particulars and prices on application.

TOBACCO, CIGARS AND CIGARETTES.

A complete stock of all the best and most popular brands.

VIN DE QUINQUINA.

A medicinal wine **AGREEABLE TO THE TASTE** containing the valuable properties of Cinchona-Bark combined with a choice brand of Red Wine.

Its powerful antifebrile qualities tend to ward off attacks of Malaria fever and to all convalescents it acts as a quick restorative and appetizer.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1892.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the Manager, *Hongkong Telegraph*, Telopea 44, and not to the Editor.

Letters on editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to the Manager.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

Whether the columns of any newspaper or periodical are open to advertisements, &c., is a question of no interest to us, and we do not know whether the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than Three o'clock so as to afford the early opportunity of the paper.

Advertisers who desire to have their names and addresses printed in the paper, will be required to pay a sum for each notice.

The *Hongkong Telegraph* has the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East, and is therefore the best medium for Advertisers. Terms can be learnt on application.

77, Newgate Street, London, E.C. Telegraphic address—*Telegraph, Hongkong*.

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TELEGRAMS.

LORD SALISBURY AND HOME RULE.
LONDON, August 18th.

The Marquess of Salisbury has prophesied that the House of Lords will become the centre of the struggle against Home Rule when the Bill is brought forward.

MR. GLADSTONE AND IRISH AFFAIRS.

The Right Hon'ble W. E. Gladstone has intimated that the first duty of Parliament will be to repeal the Coercion Act, then Home Rule must be the first business of the session. The Bill will be based on the full upholding of the Imperial supremacy and the effectual transfer to Ireland of the management of her own affairs. Mr. Gladstone further said that at present it was impossible to decide what the position of the Irish Members at Westminster should be until

the responsible Government deals with the question; and hinted that the rejection or mutilation of the Home Rule Bill by the House of Lords would affect the Imperial position.

RUSSIA AND THE "TIMES."

General Grombevsky has been appointed Governor of Orah. The *Times* remarks that this nomination indicates serious intentions on the part of the Russians and that Orah henceforward will be the base of operations for their forces.

THE NEW MINISTRY.

August 17th.
A New Ministry has been formed of which the following are the Members:

Wm. Ewart Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury and Lord Privy Seal.

Lord Hartington, Lord High Chancellor.

Earl of Kimberley, President of the Privy Council and Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Herbert H. Asquith, Q.C.

Earl of Rosebery.

Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Marquis of Ripon.

Sir W. Vernon Harcourt.

Earl Spencer.

Arnold Mowat.

Lord Brassey.

J. M. Mandella.

Henry Hardinge Fowler.

Lord Houghton.

John Morley.

The Cabinet includes Sir George Otto Trevelyan, the Secretary for Scotland but not, Lord Houghton and Brassey.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We are informed by the agent (Messrs. Dodwell, Carrill & Co.) that the "Mogul" liner *Ghase* left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst., and is due on or about the 23rd.

CALLER: "Is the editor in?" Office Boy: "Naw; he's sick." Caller: "I wonder if—er—he got that poem I sent him?" Office Boy: "Told yer he was sick, didn't I."

At a meeting of the Hongkong Trading Company to-day the resolution passed at a previous meeting, that the "concern" be wound-up in voluntary liquidation, was confirmed.

The coolie who snatched the ikkaka cushion from a vehicle yesterday won't have much use for it for some time—he is to have 7 strokes with the rattan in a day or two by order of Mr. Wodehouse.

BEWARE! It is reported that there are number of forged bank notes held by Chinese who recently arrived here from America and that they are passing them pretty freely amongst their countrymen.

"WHAT did you name your baby?" "Well, at first she was as good as gold—never whimpered—hair all wavy off the back of her head with lying on it—and we called her Serena." Brother: "Pop gave the Queen—no, I mean 'God save the Queen'!" These facts have been parodied by another victim to metathesis, who alluded under similar circumstances to the "Dook of Bugtometry."

ACCORDING to the *Kobz Chronicle*, it appears that Kobe has narrowly escaped adding a duel to his other record of doughty deeds. As the result of a quarrel between two members of the French community, a challenge to mortal combat was forwarded through duly-appointed seconds, but was declined. The challenger has published in the form of a circular the correspondence which passed between himself and his second, and takes the opportunity to say some hard things of the man who refuses to come on to the ground with his sword in his hand, &c. The challenger was a Mr. Bertrand, and the challenged party was a Mr. Lavazy. Mrs. Bonnardel was the lady concerned.

The Band of the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry will play the following programme at the Barrack Square; this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m.—
Polska..... "Polka".
Quadrille..... "Le Quadrille Industrie".
Schottische..... "Le Schottische".
Schottische..... "The Tex".
Lancers..... "Orchard".
Quadrille..... "La Provençale".
Marie..... "El Labrador".

At Mount Austin to-morrow:—

Overture..... "Masenata".
Selection..... "The Sultan of Mocha".
Intermezzo..... "Song D'Ancor Apela la Ball".
Selection..... "Cecilia".
Selection..... "The Rose Queen".
Lancers..... "Ruddigan".
Valzer..... "Waltz von Dr".
Valzer..... "Now and Then".
Aggregating 2,350 tons, register:

Outward..... Steamer, from Holloway, Kaliwa..... "Singapore".

Aggregating 2,350 tons, register:

Outward..... Steamer, for Amoy.

Mesico..... "Canton".

Faafing..... "Canton".

Matihale..... "Singapore".

Aggregating 4,434 tons, register:

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ing the four-chest boat, yet the last witness went on board the man's boat first of all. The man, the second defendant, who was on board the first boat boarded, gave him (witness) a Chinese note addressed to "our boiling down establishment." Witness read the letter and told the last witness what the purport of it was. He couldn't make Pepper, the last witness, understand that it was the Opium Farmer's letter. The second defendant, the man Kwok, said the opium belonged to the Farmer. The second defendant's boat was anchored. Asked him where he was going with the opium because it was after 8 p.m. After leaving the man's boat boarded the woman's boat (No. 1067) and received from her a note with the Farmer's "shop" on the envelope.

W. Mackie, Inspector in charge of the Water Police, said—On the 13th last, about 9 p.m., the first witness (Pepper) handed over the two defendants' boats to him. One boat contained four chests and the other three chests of opium. He took charge of the boats and opium and the next day charged the masters of the boats in the usual way.

The female prisoner was fined 5s for being without a light and her opium was confiscated.

Mr Denys gave notice of appeal.

The male prisoner was remanded until Thursday.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PACIFIC TRADE.

(Continued.)

You may put in your report of this interview that no poll-tax is levied on Chinese in Mexico, either upon arrival in the country or at any other time. As regards climate Mexico is a very healthy country which is not subjected to extremes either of heat or cold.

It is perhaps worthy of note, as showing that there is a growing tendency to lessen the restrictions placed upon the employment of contract labour in the Colonies, that in the House of Commons in May last while the House was in committee on supply the debate on the question of the re-introduction of Kanaka labor in Northern Queensland was adjourned, and a motion brought forward by Mr. Cunningham Graham to reduce the Colonial vote by £500 owing to the proposal to again introduce Poly-nesian into Queensland was rejected by a majority of 148 votes.

To revert for a moment to the

PROSPECTS AND OBJECTS

of the Northern Pacific Company. I regret exceedingly that the idea of rather rumour should have become more of its general that the N.P.C. intends to cut out the Canadian Pacific Company and that it will shortly be engaged in a fierce war of rates. The idea arose from the fact that Sir W. Pearce was expected to have the Embassies contracts, and that his boats are on the new line. It is pure guesswork that started the rumour, and it is all wrong. Nothing is further from the intentions of the managers of the Company than to endeavour to injure the Canadian Pacific Company by cutting down rates of freight or any other rates. They desire, on the contrary, to maintain indefinitely those friendly relations with the C.P.R. which have hitherto characterised the proceeding of both these pioneer companies. And there is no reason why the two, working in harmony and with due regard for mutual interests, should not be able to do all opposition on the Northern Pacific Ocean with which we may from time to time be confronted. Together we have pioneered the trade, and it is to be sincerely hoped that with us that trade will remain. I desire that there should be no misunderstanding about the question of opposition, hence this positive statement.

It may interest you to know what the

FAIRFIELD COMPANY

is doing at present, so I may tell you that it now has on the stocks the two new "Cunard" liners of which you have doubtless heard. They will be the largest vessels (12,000 tons each) in the Western Ocean trade and are to steam 22 knots on their trials and 22 knots at sea. The first will be launched on the 8th September and the other three months later. The Company is also building steamers for the Northern Light Department and a large four-masted sailing ship and has several government contracts for foreign ships in hand. The "Hawk" and the "Edgar," which we built recently for the British Navy, have turned out complete successes and exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine, both as regards speed and sea-going qualities. Too shipbuilding trade is slack at present but I am happy to say the Fairfield Company is not amongst those who are suffering on that account. As to an

OVERPLUS OF MARINERS

I may say that I attribute it in great measure to an over-production of ships. Building ships at the rate we, as a nation, are doing now is a suicidal policy for we shall soon have enough ships—able-to-carry the cargo and passengers of two worlds. Hundreds have to be kept idle, and the men suffer. Now-a-days certified mariners are more cautious than the old days of sailing ships. The art of navigation is daily improving and mariners have better means for safe navigation than they used to have. The consequence is fewer ships are lost and, what is more important, less lives are sacrificed. Moreover, it must be borne in mind that the new Navigation Law of the United States will result in a rapid increase in American tonnage and that American ships will soon be carrying a great deal of cargo that is now borne across the sea in British bottoms. Those ships will be chiefly officered by Americans and that fact will tend to make it more and more difficult for British certified mariners and sailors, to obtain employment. But that is no reason why officers should be brought under the influence of trades unions. Officers are men of profession and are not trades men in any sense of the term. You can't mix oil and water together, the one is bound to come on the surface of the other. And so it is with our Merchant Service. If the officers hold aloof from trades unions and stand as loyally by their owners as the future as they did in England during recent difficulties with seamen and firemen they will be better off in the end. They will be more respected by the seamen and be able to maintain stricter discipline.

THE COMMANDER ON FREE TRADE.

"You left home when agitation in connection with the elections was rife," said the interviewee, "what was the general opinion about the prospects of the nation should Gladstone get into power with a substantial majority?"

"When I left home," said the veteran navigator, "most people were very anxious about the future for they believed that Mr. Gladstone would rule the country in a suicidal manner if he had a substantial majority in the Commons. He has never been known to pursue any other than a weak foreign policy. His 'sculling down' policy was not thought likely to redound to the credit of the nation. There was a great lack of confidence in the future when I left England and the very day I sailed from Glasgow, Bank of Ireland Shares went down 15s, while all stocks were prominently depressed. There has been a great deal of talk about Egypt of late and the French and Russians are as anxious as ever that we should evacuate that country. Do I think the evacuation of Egypt (and Gladstone) must be in mind, is pledged to evacuate it would

be beneficial to the country or prove an acceptable policy to the Egyptian nation? I say no, it would not. Twenty years ago the whole country was in confusion, and it was positively dangerous to land at night at Port Said. The town was full of bad characters, gambling, "hells," and brothels, while the police were the reverse of protection to strangers. But now, after several years of firm rule, the country is more prosperous than ever before, serious crime has become conspicuous by reason of its absence, and it is as safe to walk about in Port Said to-day as it is to stroll in Queen's Road. The Egyptians, moreover, do not desire evacuation; it is only the French—aliens in the country and their paid spies and emissaries who urge the expulsion of the "Red Coat." Now, you know that Gladstone is in the

CHAMPION OF FREE TRADE.

and he was doubtless wise to advocate it when first he took up the cudgels against protectionists, but since the Gladstone Ministry last fell a great change has come over the political and commercial horizon and a severe blow has been dealt at the "Jarrow Britisher." I refer, of course, to the McKinley Tariff which is the most hostile tariff ever levied at the British Parliament. It has resulted in an enormous fall-off in exports from Great Britain to America and is therefore affecting not only British manufacturers but British shipowners also. Take the "Gulon" line as an instance. Two of our finest vessels, the "Aurora" and "Alaska" were laid up in October to April every year for the reason that it wouldn't pay to run them, whereas were the McKinley tariff abolished the whole of our fleet would be busily engaged throughout the year. Of course, the American has every right to protect himself to the best of his ability—"man, mind thyself" is the order of the day over the way—but what I submit is that we should also adopt some protective measures. The McKinley tariff is, to all intents and purposes, a declaration of war against British manufacturers; a *carus bellum*, so to say, that should be gravely considered by the nation and be met with an *ultimatum* in the shape of a tariff-for-blow at those who, having enjoyed all the benefits that a free-trade policy could confer on them, and now turn round and hit us hard indeed with protective measures of the most conservative description. Now, if some protection is needed, can we expect it from a Cabinet appointed by Mr. Gladstone? I think not, and there are tens of thousands of people in England who have a good deal at stake who also doubt it. They therefore, knowing well the weakness of Gladstone as a foreign minister and his pronounced free-trade doctrines, trust that Gladstone's rule will be short and that the majority of the Liberals will cast their vote, when the time comes, on the side of those who desire the maintenance of the fabric of our Empire intact and the development of commerce both at home and abroad. In a word, they desire a *fair field* and no favour. The American has nothing to fear from us. His is the most wealthy country in the world; then why should he seek to injure a friendly Power by the adoption of a tariff which is as hostile as it is unquestionably a mere party or electioneering maneuver? As you've asked the question I will go so far as to predict that the year 1892 will close—the Gladstone Ministry will be ignominiously overthrown by the Sultan and be deposed, and British control established (d.)

"(d) It has not."

How many people know that the native States of Asia known as the Malay Peninsula, situated on the east coast, near the South, is the State known as Pahang, which has a population of some 40,000 souls. The capital bears the same name as the State (c). Opposite on the west coast, are the States of Perak, Selangor, and Songk Ujong, which are under British protection, and their administration has been directed by British residents for the past few years.

"(c) The last capital is called Pekan Barat."

"Take the atlas and turn to that portion of Asia known as the Malay Peninsula. Situated on the east coast, near the South, is the State known as Pahang, which has a population of some 40,000 souls. The capital bears the same name as the State (c). Opposite on the west coast, are the States of Perak, Selangor, and Songk Ujong, which are under British protection, and their administration has been directed by British residents for the past few years.

"(d) The last capital is called Pekan Barat."

"In March last, a cable message was received from Singapore, stating that a rebellion had broken out in Pahang. Since then, occasional brief messages have been received, which seem to show that the rebellion is spreading, and public opinion, in Singapore, cautions the Governor for refusing to employ the military and navy in suppressing the revolt, the cause of which has not been mentioned. Recently it has been no secret that the Sultan had been deposed, and British control established (d.)

"(d) It has not."

How many people know that the native States

of the Malay Peninsula supply one-third of the world's supply of the world and that practically only two of them are being worked, by the most primitive system of Chinese mining, to produce even that third of the supply? How many outside the charmed circle know that Pahang is a land full of gold, (c), which can be shoveled into boxes in certain valleys, by merely digging the surface soil? Who, besides one or two scientists and three or four officials, are aware that in Pahang are the best authenticated sources of King Solomon's mines—the land of Ophir? (d) The marvels of Pahang are yet to burst upon the world. (e) They are held back at present by jealous British guardianship and interests?

"(c) Yes—shareholders' gold. (d) There is a mountain called Ophir, almost visible from Singapore, but as for Ophir, (e) They have burst already—as the Hongkong brokers. And it was a bad bust too! [d.]

"(f) Truth is ever w'll-be stranger than fiction. (g) In this romantic region lies material for a story of Rider Haggard."

"(h) To the writer in the *Chronicle*, truth must be a total stranger. "Fictions of Rider Haggard" is all a patch on him."

"The Valley of Raub was purchased for the sum of £1,000,000, and the contract was

of a Rajah who knew nothing of the

bustle he was selling for a mess of potage.

"(i) The hardy colonials obtained and filled

some 2 packing cases with the soil, and, ship-

ping them upon a bamboo raft, themselves went

down the mighty (!) Pahang River to its mouth,

and took a trading scow to Singapore. There

the dirt assayed 21oz, to the top, and the Pahang

company commenced to go until a warning

from the British Government, announcing official

refusal to sanction or recognise any concessions

made by ignorant native chiefs, put a damper

on trading adventures seeking to buy up huge

goldfields at microscopic rates from the un-

tutored savage chiefs!"

"(j) Well, who has he laugh now—buyer or seller?"

"To obtain a dry load of gold in Pahang

would take but a few hours' shoveling. To

bring that load to market would cost some 50

dry loads, and so things balance." Do they?

A MARINE COUNCIL OF STATE.

The following is a concise form of the original

proposal of Mr. Chamberlain for a department

of state, to supersede the incapable and often

actually dangerous *vices* of the Board of Trade:

What is needed is a merely transitory interest in the well-being of the Colony, but they are like

angels' visits—few and far between. There

are a few public-spirited men in our midst

who directly concern them nor seriously affect

the daily routine of their own business or duty

as far as possible, and they are not accorded the

same respect as the members of the naval and

military services, and the public are not

concerned with the welfare of the Colony.

What is wanted is a permanent and efficient

body of men who are not concerned with the

Colonial service, and who are not concerned

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Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—\$0 per cent.
Prem. sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £600.
Paid up—10 per cent. dis. sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$600 per share, sellers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—
\$1, buyers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—
Founders' shares, 250 buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 E—14 per cent.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$30, per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$15 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—\$1, 220 per share, sales and buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$97 per share, buyers.

Yangtze Insurance Association—\$100, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—\$1, 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$150 per share, sales and buyers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, buyers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—
\$38, sellers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—25 per share, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—
45 per cent. discount, sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$35 per share, sellers.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—81 per cent. premium, sales and sellers.

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$21, buyers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s \$15 per cent. Debentures—
\$50.

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.

The Shunmen Hotel Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sellers.

Pusum and Sungible Dus Samantan Mining Co.—
\$5, 30, per share, buyers.

The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—30 cents per share, sellers.

New Imurit Mining Co., Limited—\$1, 30, per share, sellers.

The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—
nominal.

Tongqui Coal Mining Co.—\$120 per share, sellers.

The Jelbu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—
\$1 per share, sellers.

The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—5 cents per share, sellers.

London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—
\$2 sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$135 per share, sellers.

Luron Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$27 per share, buyers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, buyers.

Dakin Crucikshank & Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—
\$7 per share, sales and sellers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—
\$5, 50, sales and buyers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$16 per share, sellers.

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales and sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$44 per share, ex. div. sellers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$95, per share, buyers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$102 per share, sales.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$67 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—
\$65 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—
\$7 per share, sellers.

The Green Island Cement Co.—\$5 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$21 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—
\$25 per share, nominal.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/8

Bank-Bills, on-demand 2/9

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/9

Credits at 4 months' sight 2/9

On PARIS—Bank Bills, on demand 3/43

Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/44

On INDIA—T. T. 2/6

On Demand 2/6/1

On SHANGHAI—Bank, T. T. 7/2

Private, 30 days' sight 7/2

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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

KASOW, British steamer, 1,995, James Gray
10th August—Liverpool and Singapore 1st
August—General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
ACTIV, Danish steamer, 1,145, H. Hyppen, 10th
Aug.—Fahlof 16th August, and Hollow
18th—General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
BALI, British steamer, 2,601, Wm. H. Walker
19th August—San Francisco 26th July,
and Yokohama 13th August, Malls and
General—O. & O. S. S. Co.

CLARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Matsuda German steamer, for Shanghai.
KASOW, British steamer, for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

August 18, PASTOR, British str., for Canton.
August 18, MEILOU, Chinese steamer, for Canton.
August 19, FREY, Danish steamer, for Hollow.
August 19, BANTAM, Dutch steamer, for Amoy.
August 19, PAKSHAN, British str., for Swatow.
August 19, MATILDA, German str., for Shanghai.
August 19, NAMOU, British str., for Swatow, etc.
August 19, ADEN, British str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per KASOW, str., from Singapore, 8/2—264
Chinese.
Per BELIE, str., from San Francisco, 8/2—
Messrs. C. H. Howard, L. D. Hillies, L. M.
Ward, and W. B. Silver.

REPORTS.

The British steamship KASOW reports that
she left Singapore at 9 a.m. on the 13th instant.
Came up middle passage had light south-west
winds with smooth sea and clear weather until
sighting Cap Rock; after which had strong
variable squalls with heavy rain.

POST Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Vancouver, and Victoria, B.C.—Per Empress of
China to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 11:30
A.M.

For Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—
Per CHINA to-morrow, the 20th instant, at
6:30 P.M.

SHIPPIING IN HONGKONG

STEAMER.

AMIGO, German steamer, 771, T. A. Bruhn
16th August—Canton 16th August, General—
Weier & Co.

ARDAG, British steamer, 1,080, J. Thom, 14th
August—Sourabaya 4th August, Sugar—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ASAGAO, Japanese steamer, 1,521, H. Seike
18th August—Möll 12th August, Coal—
Mitsubishi Kaihatsu.

BATAVIA, British steamer, 1,661, J. R. Hill, 12th
August—Tacoma 14th July, General—
Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

BENKLARIG, British steamer, 1,454, E. L.
Leontine 14th August—Kuching 11th August,
Coal—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CHINA, American steamer, 5,200, W. B. Seabury
1st July—San Francisco 9th July, and
Yokohama 23rd, Mails and General—F.
M. S. Co.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,000, A. George, 16th
August—Cebu 10th August, Sugar—Arnold &
Co.

DOUGLAS, British steamer, 1,103, A. George, 16th
August—Cebu 10th August, Sugar—Arnold &
Co.

GOLDHILL, British str., 1,103, A. George, 16th
August—Cebu 10th August, Sugar—Arnold &
Co.

KUTSANG, British str., 1,495, W. Hall Jackson
16th August—Calcutta 30th July, Penang
6th August, and Singapore 10th, Opium
and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MANTHAN, British steamer, 803, J. Blackburn,
15th August—Bangkok, and Koh-kiang 11th August,
General—Hawthorn, Doulton & Co.

PATHAN, British steamer, 1,762, Wright 6th
August—Möll 30th July, General—Dowdell,
Carrill & Co.

PROSPERITY, British steamer, 1,879, W. H.
Farrand, 18th August—Salon 14th Aug., and
Rice and General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

SHANTUNG, British steamer, 1,894, W. B.
Hardinge 17th August—Java, and Singapore
11th August—General—Hawthorn, Doulton &
Co.

SWATOW, German steamer, 630, C. Blinge 15th
August—Haliphong 10th August, and Hong
Kong 14th August—General—A. R. May.

THALIS, British str., 820, A. E. Hodges, 10th
August—Taiwan 13th August, Amoy
15th, and Swatow 17th, General—Dowdell,
Carrill & Co.

FOR SALE.

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AS SHE NOW LIES IN YAU-NAI-KEI.

THE ENGINES AND BOILER OF THE
CHINESE GUNBOAT "CHOP-CHUNG,"
AS THEY LIE AT ABERDEEN DOCK.

THE Engines of the CHOP-CHUNG were
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Wesel, and are of the Compound Inverted
Cylinder Direct-Acting Surface Condensing type.
Cylinders solid 15" dia. with a stroke of 50".
The Boiler is 3" dia. by 15" stroke, and the Crank pin
rod, 7" dia. at the Journal. The H.P. Pump
is 3" dia. and the L.P. 38" dia. The piston
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These Engines have been very little used and
are in thoroughly good order.

The Boiler is of the Horizontal Multicellular
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top. The dia. is not 3" by 15" but 3" long, external
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dia. by 6 ft. high. Tubes, 180 ft. in number by
3" dia. It is in fairly good condition, having
recently undergone considerable repairs, and
would last in active service for over five years.

The Engines and Boiler can be inspected by
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For further particulars apply to

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